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Christian Science Edifice Placed at Disposal of Theater Victims.

DEAD PLACED IN AISLES

Wourded Receive First Aid From Physicians and Scores of Nurses.

Missing and Hope Against Hope in Search.

Washington, Jan. 29. (Associated -Recovered from the wreck nd horror of the ruined Knickerocker Theater, a pitiful stream of dead and living, owed all last night and to-day into the lower rooms of a Christian Science church a few hundred yards away.

was thrown open to those stricken folk and the hundreds of thers who came to search for their dead or injured, and as the full weight nopolized the space, crowding the njured in the all too small rooms

was merely a first aid station taken crushed, but alive, from the wreckage. They were carried in stretchers over the slippery pavement with lines of soldiers keep the crowds far back. Surgeons and nurses and women eager to bring fering or bereaved waited in the church. They tenderly washed away of injury, black sometimes by hours of waiting pinne under debris until the rescuers cut the victim loose. Bandages were applied and then the injured were taken away to hospital or home

But the dead lay along in the doubl But the dead lay along in the double rows in which they stretched across the floor, lay until a tearful relative or friend, a husband or wife or father or other recognized the crused form at last. Up and down these aisles of the dead walked those whose fears had drawn them here because of some one missing in the family circle. Women already weeping in certainty of what they must find sooner or later beneath the kindly blankets that shielded the sleepers made the journey of sorrow

sleepers made the journey of sorrow work many times before they found what they sought. Men, with working faces, eaned to draw back the coverings, and then gasp with short lived relief as hey moved on to the next huddled form. Some of these seekers came with the dirt and grime of the wreckage upon hem still. Some had passed through he crash of the roof and balcony, only leave a dear one dead in the tangled mass. They had worked hours with the rescuers to find that one, only to urn now and then for a hurried trip to the chamber of death.

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Eleven times death struck down husband and wife, side by side. They died as they had sat to see the swift picturing of the film. But many other times it was only the wife or the husband who perished, and the survivor must make the terrible pilgrimage of recognition in the grim chamber of the dead. The times when children were taken were sparingly few. Usually the big theater has been in its earlier hours of a Saturday night the gathering place of a host of youngares.

needle and survived the long night to a safe removal.

A moment after the crash Father John Floersch, priest, entered the ruined theater. Knee deep in the snow that covered all. for the benefit of the dying around him he gave general absolution and the final rites of the church to the dying. Then he plunged into the rescue work.

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Notable was the speed of the Red Cross organization, whose local chapters forced their way to the theater site across a city whose normal transportation lines had been paralyzed in the snow, and set up canteens for the workers, hospital facilities for the workers, hospital facilities for the wounded, and ambulances for the dead and the injured, who had to reach operating centers. Scores of surgeons and nurses answered their summons with instant cross, and their succor both saved lives of the victims and sustained the unflagging zeal of the rescuers.

CHILDREN FOUND ASLEEP IN RUINS WITH THE DEAD

Three Little Girls Discovered Hours After the Crash One of Them Seated Between the Bodies of Women Who Had Been Killed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 29 (Associated) Press).—Sleeping peacefully beneath the debris in the wrecked Knickerbocker

Theater, two little girls, about 4 and 6 years old, were found early to-day by rescuers, ten hours after the playhouse roof had fallen in. Apparently neither of the children was badly hurt. They were taken to a hospital without identification.

Four hours earlier a five-year-old girl was found unhurt, seated between the bodies of two women. Her life evidently had been saved by her falling between the seats and the protection given to her by the bodies of the two women who were killed beside her.

TRAGIC SCENES PREVAIL LED PRAYER SERVICE WASHINGTON WORST Relatives Frantically Seek WHILE UNDER DEBRIS

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he tried to move one leg. No pain. Same experiment with the other. Same result. Col. Taylor looked dazed. Then he suffied and drew a long breath.

"Not hurt a bit!" he shouted, and sprang upright. But the strain had been too much. The officer swayed on his feet. Rescuers helped him to a seat on a pile of debris. The Colonel remained quiet for a space of five minutes.

"All right now," he said, and proved it by joining in the rescue work.

Rescuers caught sight of the face of a man in the wreckage. Debris con-cealed his body. "Can you get me out?" The man's voice was faint. A dozen men attacked the pile of wreckage. As they worked the man tried to give them di-rections. But his strength was nearly gone. At last they got him out. Brok-enly he gave his name—Dr. Clyde Gear-hart.

right. Never mind me; get her out."
The woman was dead.

Lieut, V. M. Parsons of the Marine Corps, assisted in the rescue work. "Courage of those pinned beneath the wreckage made it easier to save them," said Lieut. Parsons. "We took out one man whose legs presented the appear-Then he looked anxiously at his leg. He was horribly mangled. He was con-scious.

sclous.

"How about a cigarette?" was the first thing he said. "We gave one to him. He took a puff, inhaled the smoke. Then he looke danxiously at his legs. He smiled. Then he said: 'Looks as if I had six instead of two.' Then he fainted."

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Up the long path, trodden through heavy show, that ran from the Impromptu morgue to the Knicker-bocker, struggled the stretcher squad, army and navy men mostly. Commissioned officers of the military services held the doors of the church entrance, and with exquisite gentlemes and sympathy sifted out those who sought their dead from others drawn by morbid curlosity.

Above all, there was quietness at the church in spite of the urgent and never ceasing activity. The losers in the Knicker-bocker disaster, neither the physical that in spite of the urgent and never ceasing activity. The losers in the Knicker-bocker disaster, neither the physical that the outcry there in the full was little and soon stilled.

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The ead task of attempting to locate friends and relatives known to have been in the theater at the time of its collapse was greatly hampered by the lack of transportation facilities. Those companies that had not called all their cars in were snowed under with "urgent" orders that could not be filled. A young girl, who did not give her name, rushed anxiously into Garfield Memorial Hospital to inquire about her mother and father. Upon being answered in the negative she completely broke down. A few synpathetic questions elicited her story. She had engagd a taxicab, but was told she could use it only thirty minutes because of the great demand for the cars.

Capital as Storm Center Is Tied Up Tight-Hundreds of

eral decades the Middle Atlantic section of the country spent o-day in

years, had its center to-night slightly north and east of Cape Cod and was moving slowly out over the ocean, but in its wake from North Carolina to Southern New England and from the coast to the Allegheny Mountains all was buried under a snow blanket.

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Washington as the center of the storms at and the center of the storms strength suffered the most severely—a toll of nearly one hundred lives having been taken and more than a hundred injured, some of whom may be added later to the list of dead. The loss of the interest of the capital, with one or two exceptions, was due to he collapse of the roof of a motion picture theater under the weight of twenty-six inches of snow, and this castastrophe also accounted for most of the injuries.

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Miss Mabel Boardman, formerly a Commossioner of the District of Columbia, passed part of the night in the wreckage directing efforts of Red Cross workers. Miss Boardman at one time was a high official of the Red Cross.

PHILADELPHIA DIGS OUT OF SNOWFALL QUICKLY Shipping Safe and Only Rim of State Is Hit.

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 29.—Aided by brilliant sunshine and temperatures well under the freezing point, this section to-day rapidly dug itself from under the TELEPHONE KEPT BUSY
BY ANXIOUS PERSONS

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Parks Filled With Joyous Children-Two Little Coasters Injured.

valiant, but mostly vain efforts to resume the activities suspended Friday night, when the storm swerved up from the South.

The storm, described by the Weather Bureau as the worst in twenty-three years, had its center to-night slightly north and east of Cape Cod and was several for days forcing the winter process. The swept out to sea by one of the highest of the cyclone. Among the liners that doubtless were lashed by the saving twister as it headed eastwars. The storm described by the weather foundation, and boardwalks which even had concrete foundations were ripped out. As the tide receded it left in its wake water that foundations were ripped out. As the tide receded it left in its wake water and the concrete foundations were ripped out. As the tide receded it left in its wake water and east of Cape Cod and was concreted by the saving of the Cyclone. several feet deep, forcing the winter Pannonia.

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Fifteen hundred feet of the concrete boardwalk at Midland Beach also was destroyed. The seas washed up over the railroad tracks running close to the Staten Island waterfront. The storm was at its worst in the beach sections

The outside promenade of the pier also was ripped away before the timbers freed themselves and drifted along the beach to a fishing pavillon, where more piles were ripped away. Employees of the Arcade pier feared the outer part would collapse, and at great personal risk rescued a pipe organ said to be worth \$11,000.

Scabright Tracks Submerged.

The seas broke over the walls at Seabright, N. J., and submerged the rail-road tracks, cutting off communication by rail with Highlands. The cellar of the Beach Clubhouse was flooded and the lower part of the Pannaci Hotel. The Peninsula House bulkhead was de-

At Atlantic City the tide also flooded At Atlantic City the fide also flooded the cellars of apartments and private houses. Two electric trains, one from Miliville and the other from Atlantic City, both bound for Philadelphia, became stalled in the heavy snowdrifts near Clayton, N. J. They were snowbound for several hours and were not freed until they had been shoveled out

freed until they had been shoveled out by relief crews.

A hazy sunshine and gradually rising temperature aided the Street Cleaning Department in digging the city from under the eight men blanket of anow. Eleven thousand men with shovels and approximately 2,000 trucks, tractors and plows succeeded in making such an appreciable dent in the pile of snow that the free movement of traffic today seemed assured. The attack of the

ow shovelers was continued throught Saturday night, with the result that epiles were ready for trucking when e weather cleared at about 11 A. M. Manhattan the storm did little damete. Street cars, ferries, elevated ains, and suburban railroad trains oved reasonably close to schedule. While the Weather Bureau said Satury night that the storm would pass out

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Badly by the Storm.

TAIL HITS MANHATTAN

Street Cleaners Win Fight
Against 8 Inch Snow,
Despite Drifts.

SHIPS AND TRAINS LATE

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While the Weather Bureau said Saturday night that the storm would pass out to sea before dawn yesterday. New York awoke to find the storm raging as angrily as on Saturday, but at 10 A. M. the change began to appear. Persons going to church went with their furstightly wrapped around them, fighting their way along the streets through a blinding storm, but on the return the snow had stopped. The heavy winds continued, however, throughout the day and the temperature fluctuated between the freezing point and 40 above zero.

The fury of the storm in its assault on the Atlantic coast from Georgia to Massachusetts was attested by the fact that not a single transatlantic steamship, freighter or passenger, passed in Sandy Hook, and only one vessel from a foreign port, the Norwegian freighter Bueland, from Havana, reached this port. Two coastwise American cargo carriers, the Currier, from Port Arthur, Tex., and the Southern Pacific liner El Occidente, from Galveston, each more than a day late, arrived in the afternoon.

Little wireless information came from Little wireless information came from the troubled waters, and it was sur-mised that the fierce blasts had carried away or disabled much wireless equip-ment. More than a dozen freighters and one liner, the Acropolis, bound for Pi-raeus, postponed their departure on Sat-urday and sailed yesterday for various overseas, West Indian and domestic norts.

Cars in Snowdrifts.

The blizzard that swept up the coast from the Carolinas Saturday and the tail of which held the city in its grip for more than twenty-two hours did damage at the beaches in and near New York which will run into the hundreds of the country spent o-day in ralliant, but mostly vain efforts to restaint, but mostly vain efforts to restaint, but mostly vain efforts to restaint, and the second of the country spent order. We was a spent of the second of the country spent order. We was a spent of the second of the country spent order. We was spent of the second of the second of the country spent order. We was spent of the highest of the cyclone.

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Pearsall and Jerome Get Caught in Blizzard Away Off Shore.

CLOTHING IS FROZEN

Dodging Ice Cakes, Reach Cat Tree Island and Find Shelter in a Cottage.

WERE GIVEN UP AS LOST

Gerald Hollins's Motorboat Finally Takes Missing Men to Mainland.

Edmund R. Pearsall and Jerome F Jerome of East Islip, L. I., who went out from Babylon in scooters early Saturday morning to hunt ducks, were Island, in Great South Bay, after more than twenty-four hours' exposure in the blinding snow and high winds of the blizzard.

Pearsall's brother. them on the island after they had flown an American flag upside down to attract attention on the mainland Gerald V. Hollins, a member of the brokerage house of C. D. Halsey of 15 Broad street, had gone out in a motorboat with his brother John. weakened from exposure that it was several hours before they could tell what happened to them.

With other hunters, Jerome set out from Babylon in their scooters about daybreak. They went out on the ice about three miles, located themselves with hav and put out decoys The sky became overcast with clouds

as a blizzard appeared to be coming. a thick blanket that it obscured the difficult for them to manage their scooters. To make things worse the ice started to crackle and break all abou

who were rescued. Dying men joked with one another while the rescuers with one another while the rescuers were less than the rescuers while the rescuers were feel wire, steel beams and control of the parts of the middle Atlantic sections, and the parts of the storm.

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was noted. Three trains arrived from the South during the morning and they were the first to get through since the storm broke on the Southern coast late Friday afternoon.

Among the effects of the storm in the larbor was a tide which rose to within three feet of the top of the sea wall at the Battery, necessitating the use of planks in getting passengers off ferryboats. The Bureau of Naval Communication sent a wireless warning out early in the day that two scows had broken loose from their moorings and were loose from their moorings and were loose from their moorings and were loose of the sea was a strength had gone when Pearstrain sall saw land shead.

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Pearsall and Jerome did not knock. They smashed the window with their ice covered hands and crawled inside, col-lapsing just inside the window. They roused themselves after a long time,



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crawled to the fireplace and finally succeeded in kindling a fire. It blazed up, they threw on it all the chunks of wood that were ranged alongside the hearth and then they laid down in front of it.

They awoke later and found themselves in pools of water, for the heath had thawed the ice that had coated their clothing. They threw fresh logs on the fire and finally got dried. They stayed in the Rubino cottage until daybreak, and then, knowing where they were, they walked along the shore to the Wawa Yanda Club house, where there is a caretaker. This man gave them food, but had no means of getting them back to the mainland, so they

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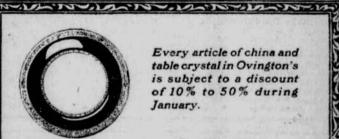
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